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"AN ACT CONCERNING TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES TO GRANT PROGRAMS ADMINISTERED BY THE OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT, THE PROCESS FOR TOWNS TO SET A MILL RATE PRIOR TO ADOPTION OF A BUDGET, AND THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR OPEN SPACE LAND."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Subdivision (45) of subsection (a) of section 16-1 of the
4 2008 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following
5 is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

6 (45) "Sustainable biomass" means biomass that is cultivated and
7 harvested in a sustainable manner. "Sustainable biomass" does not
8 mean construction and demolition waste, as defined in section 22a-
9 208x, finished biomass products from sawmills, paper mills or stud
10 mills, organic refuse fuel derived separately from municipal solid
11 waste, or biomass from old growth timber stands, except where (A)
12 such biomass is used in a biomass gasification plant that received

13 funding prior to May 1, 2006, from the Renewable Energy Investment
14 Fund established pursuant to section 16-245n of the 2008 supplement
15 to the general statutes, or (B) the energy derived from such biomass is
16 subject to a long-term power purchase contract pursuant to
17 subdivision (2) of subsection (j) of section 16-244c of the 2008
18 supplement to the general statutes entered into prior to May 1, 2006,
19 [or] (C) such biomass is used in a renewable energy facility that is
20 certified as a Class I renewable energy source by the department until
21 such time as the department certifies that any biomass gasification
22 [plan] plant, as defined in subparagraph (A) of this [subsection]
23 subdivision, is operational and accepting such biomass, in an amount
24 not to exceed one hundred forty thousand tons annually, is used in a
25 renewable energy facility that was certified as a Class I renewable
26 energy source by the department prior to December 31, 2007, and uses
27 biomass, including construction and demolition waste as defined in
28 section 22a-208x, from a Connecticut-sited transfer station and volume-
29 reduction facility that generated biomass during calendar year 2007
30 that was used during calendar year 2007 to generate Class I renewable
31 energy certificates, or (D) in the event there is no facility as described
32 in subparagraph (A) or (C) of this subdivision accepting such biomass,
33 in an amount not to exceed one hundred forty thousand tons annually,
34 is used in one or more other renewable energy facilities certified either
35 as a Class I or Class II renewable energy source by the department,
36 provided such facilities use biomass, including construction and
37 demolition waste as defined in said section 22a-208x, from a
38 Connecticut-sited transfer station and volume-reduction facility that
39 generated biomass during calendar year 2007 that was used during
40 calendar year 2007 to generate Class I renewable energy certificates.
41 Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraphs (C) and (D) of this
42 subdivision, the amount of biomass specified in said subparagraphs
43 shall not apply to a biomass gasification plant, as defined in
44 subparagraph (A) of this subdivision."